

REMARKS

The above amendments are being made to add new claims 26-33 of a scope to which applicants are deemed entitled.

The specification has also been amended. In this regard, reference to the vestiges assisting to minimize lateral slippage between the metal ribbon and the sleeve has been deleted since further development of the subject invention has demonstrated that the sleeve is immovably fixed to the metal ribbon with or without such vestiges. Thus, the specification revision is being submitted so as to maintain the accuracy of the official record.

A favorable action on the merits of pending claims 12-33 is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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